

Sunday January 19, 2025
United Lutheran Church, Elbow Lake, MN

COMMUNION/PRAYERS/OFFERING

Please take an empty cup when you come forward for communion. We have gluten free wafers—let your server know of this need. There is both wine and grape juice. You may lift up your prayers after communion by lighting a candle. Offerings can be placed in the plates throughout the sanctuary. Make your own way back to your seat.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Blessing Song (See screen for words.)

**The Lord bless you, and keep you
Make his face shine upon you
Be gracious to you
The lord turn his face toward you
And give you peace.
Amen, amen, amen. Amen, amen, amen.**

L: Go now in peace to love and serve the LORD.

C: Thanks be to God!

POST LUDE



Please join us after worship for the Gather Together Fellowship with coffee, treats, lemonade and friendly conversation.



GATHERING

The Holy Spirit Calls us together as the People of God.

WELCOME/GREETING

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,
our creator,
our protector,
our wellspring of life.

Amen.

Trusting that God receives our words and the meditations of our hearts, let us confess our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Merciful God,

you speak blessing and compassion into the world.

**Forgive us for the ways we act
with judgment, cruelty, or indifference.**

**We ignore the needs of our neighbors;
we resist your call to oppose injustice;
we give in to scarcity and fear;
we assume the worst about one another.**

**Cleanse us from our faults
and release us from their grasp.**

**Show us your lovingkindness.
Restore our hearts and repair your world,
that we may live in Christ's ways.
Amen.**

God proclaims these words of assurance:
"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you.
I have called you by name. You are mine."
In + Christ, you are forgiven.
In the Spirit, you are made free.
Refreshed by the waters of mercy,
live anew as beloved children of God.
Amen.

OPENING SONG: *All Are Welcome #641 vs. 1-4*

P: The grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Lord God, source of every blessing, you showed forth your glory and led many to faith by the works of your Son, who brought gladness and salvation to his people. Transform us by the Spirit of his love, that we may find our life together in him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

TEMPLE TALK: Witney Willard

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture, preaching, and in song.

SPARK STORY BIBLE: *Wedding at Cana* pages 410-415

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE ACCLAMATION: *Alleluia. Lord, to Whom Shall We Go?*

GOSPEL: John 2:1-11

L: The Holy Gospel according to John in the 2nd chapter.

C: Glory to You, O LORD!

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ²Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." ⁴And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." ⁵His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. ⁹When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom ¹⁰and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." ¹¹Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

L: This is the gospel of our LORD.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

MESSAGE

SONG: *Will You Come and Follow Me #798 Vss. 1, 2, 4, 5*

PRAYERS

MEAL

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the LORD.

Give thanks to the LORD your God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

LAMB OF GOD